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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Reference
Director of Computer Services

SUBJECT : CHIVE Newsletter, September 1966

o Management

Considerable CTF effort was devoted to preparation of papers on CHIVE development in support of the study of OCR [] is conducting for the DD/I.

[] is conducting an OCR computer feasibility study. [] CTF has been detailed to work full time with [] on the study.

CHIVE has been represented at weekly meetings of the COINS/Soviet Personalities Panel.

[] under OSI contract to provide a study of the state-of-the-art in all facets of science in Communist China.

[] NIPE Staff, was briefed on Task Force developments by []

[] Information Processing Coordinator for ORR, met with [] to discuss current CHIVE activity.

o System Design

Publication of the first model of SKAN--China Collateral--began on 14 September. Briefings on SKAN have been conducted in several DD/I offices. A study is being made of reducing redundancy in SKAN by using a by-pass of the word exclusion technique.

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GROUP I
Excluded from Automatic
Downgrading and
Declassification

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Existing summary type files in [] FID were identified and a tentative selection of those which will be initially included in CHIVE was made. [] Chicom Category File is considered of utmost importance and will be given priority attention. Other files such as the [] and [] will be considered next. The need for [] on plants and organizations will have to be investigated further.

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The [] content analysis study has begun. Statistical information from some [] from [] from FID files will be analyzed.

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The first draft of the CHIVE Location Dictionary was completed 12 September. The corrections that must be made in this draft have been noted, but actual correction cannot be made until a listing with CHIVE number and new record sequence number is available. The tape records are presently in the FIC Free (Rigid) format.

The Subject Dictionary Task Team is preparing a detailed index to the recently completed third revision of SIC. When completed, the index will be used as a basis for the preparation of a decode thesaurus.

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A memorandum was sent to the Director of Security requesting OS approval of the CHIVE Top Secret Control Plan.

The Forms Design Task Team began work on the form description tables to be used in control of the processing of the generalized page reader program.

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The System Test Plan Task Team is investigating the possibility of using manual systems in the testing prior to CAPRI availability. This has narrowed to a combination EAM/Termatrix System with a limited data base. The Task Team is continuing the search for system detailed objectives (specifications) to be postulated in a paper scheduled for publication around 15 November. Description of the System Test Plan was published 14 September.

The Dossier Requirements Task Team final report was distributed on 3 October.

A Management Information System is being developed for SKAN by the Management Data Task Team.

The Customer Requirements and Relations Task Team has produced a paper entitled Subject Selection Criteria.

The Querying Procedures Task Team has been observing the procedures in SR, and is preparing an SR query procedures guide. The Biographic Register Query Guide was published during September.

A file format table and an input descriptor deck have been prepared for the Soviet [redacted] This permits this file to be created as soon as the input data is supplied by [redacted]

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A paper was prepared describing certain problems in the COINS I effort. [redacted] evaluated a Technical Operations Incorporated proposal for "speeded speech" study and an SRI report/proposal for on-line text editing during the month.

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o Program Design

Acceptance testing for the Page Reader System was successfully completed on 16 September. Forty-eight million characters were read during the month long test period. Reject (1 in 457,000) and substitute (1 in 384,000) ratios were well within acceptance requirements.

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[redacted] have been added to the programming group for the Organization Dictionary. A listing of all [redacted] with CHIVE location and organization numbers added was published during September.



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